

East Coventry Township Parks, Recreation and Conservation Committee July 27, 2021 Meeting Minutes

Date: 7/27/2021
Time: 7:40PM

Meeting Called By: Bruce Stephens
Meeting Notes By: Flora Kapp

Attended	Name	Attended	Name
X	Bruce Stephens, Chairmen	X	Flora Kapp, Secretary
X	Cathy Carney-Horner	X	Karen Nocella
X	Jason Stouch, Vice Chairmen	X	Gary Hughes
X	Liz Willow	X	Frank Coppo

Guests in attendance: Connie Coppo; Beth Intoccia, Litter Lifters

Agenda Item: Review of June 2021 Minutes

- ❖ Karen made motion to approve June 2021 minutes, Jason seconded, all in favor; minutes approved.

Agenda Item: Tree Planting - October 2nd

- ❖ Bruce stated that meeting reviewing planting of trees (William Penn grant) Pigeon Creek in Ellis Woods Park went well on 7/13 with Kelly McGinley and Jeanne Ortiz. Members attendance were: Karen, Liz, Flora, Frank, Jason and Bruce.
- ❖ Karen shared with Committee that she spoke to Dave/Township Manager regarding the project.
- ❖ Frank stated that he could draw up planting plan but still needs to know type/size of trees.
- ❖ Karen to find out type and when they will be delivered.
- ❖ Karen to talk to Ray regarding getting trees to planting location.
- ❖ Watering and deer protection were also brought up and to be determined.
- ❖ Committee members plan to meet Wed, Aug 4th at 6pm to mark young trees (ash, oak) along Pigeon Creek to prevent from being mowed. Frank and Liz may start process before hand.

Agenda Item: Litter Lifter - Roadway Cleanup September 11, 2021

- ❖ Beth Intoccia attended meeting to inform group of how West Vincent's Environmental Advisory Council's Litter Lifter group was started and the upcoming 9/11/21 clean up along Route 100 from Ludwigs Corner (rt 401 & 100) to OJR/East Coventry (roughly 3.8mi). She explained that Safety is her #1 priority. Helpers will be supplied safety vests and she is hoping to get two electronic signs to notify drivers. These are to be placed at each end so that she can have two groups starting.
- ❖ She just received a verbal from Penn Dot of their support and they will supply flaggers.
- ❖ Event starts at 7:30am for about 3hrs. Beth expects all to be on time, but you can leave at any time. She likes to know who will be there ahead of time so she can plan for proper safety precautions. She will send verbiage to Karen for Township website and various Facebook groups. Liz informed her to get in touch with Coventry News magazine.
- ❖ Beth is also working to get Chester County Commissioners' affiliation with Keep America Beautiful.
- ❖ Karen informed Beth that Brady/Arrow Engineering is responsible for setting up East Coventry's Earth Day Event every year along Tow Path Park.

Agenda Item: Sign Update

- ❖ Karen informed Committee that last batch of signs arrived: tree stakes for Anne Sage/Rose Miller donated by Soroptomist Club, and Eric Hughes; Bench plaques for Josephine Ussler and Ralph Maack.

- ❖ Frank to look into purchasing Sweet Bay Magnolia (\$150-\$200) for fall planting in pickle ball area for Anne/Rosemary.

Agenda Item: Miscellaneous

- ❖ Committee picked Saturday, October 23rd for Fall Walk at Ellis Woods Park.
 - Karen to inquire about getting the bird lady
- ❖ Karen to ask Sue about timeline for fall newsletter. Possible ideas:
 - Frank to supply bird presentations
 - Anthony Hill/Blue bird boxes
 - Little Library (installed/donated by Alyssa Schneider) recently installed at Ellis Woods
- ❖ Frank asked about progress on park at East Coventry School.
 - Karen informed group she has meeting with OJR at East Coventry at 9am on Thursday. Extended invitation to Frank.
 - Frank mentioned idea for Community garden in greenhouse area.
- ❖ Bruce suggested a baseball back stop constructed at Ellis Woods inside track. Committee decided area is used by many other athletic teams for practice and not enough area for a backstop.
- ❖ Karen informed Committee that she had another meeting with the group interested in building athletic area at Heyser tract and project is moving along.
- ❖ Karen informed Committee that David Sutton received is pesticide license. There is an insurance liability issue and Dave/Township Manager is researching.

Kathy motion to adjourn meeting, Karen seconded, all in favor. Meeting adjourned at 9pm.

Signed: _____ Date: _____